



SITE LEGEND

- EXISTING PICNIC SHELTER
- PROPOSED PICNIC PAVILION
- PROPOSED ORGANIZED PARKING (APPROX 100 SPACES)
- PROPOSED ROADS
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN AREAS
- PROPOSED LANDSCAPE BUFFER
- PROPOSED MAIN STREET BOARDWALK
- PEDESTRIAN / BIKE PATH
- 'PARK-WITHIN-A-PARK' BOUNDARY
- COBBLE TOP STONE WALLS
- EX. TREES TO BE PRESERVED
- EX. DISC GOLF HOLE
- FUTURE BUILDING LOCATIONS
- CROSS COUNTRY ROUTE
- LOCATION OF CROSS SECTIONS

SITE ELEMENTS

- A Bridge**
 - The bridge will be returned to its original shape, eliminating the need for the earthen berms and ramps at each end. The accessible route will be around the edge of the lake.
 - The Veterans Memorial will be relocated to a more visible location near the Museum.
- B Low Wall**
 - A new low wall defines the edge of a sloping grassy area that terminates in a lakefront walking path.
- C Pedestrian Paseo**
 - This walk between the two Drop-Offs are designed as a pedestrian plaza, but are substantial enough to carry emergency or service traffic if needed.
- D Museum Forecourt**
 - A widened sidewalk/plaza is proposed as the forecourt of the Museum. This area will provide a gathering space for group tours and will be capable of supporting food service vendors in either the buildings associated with the Museum or by using smaller mobile carts.
 - Access to restrooms at the Museum will be available from this outdoor gateway during Museum hours.

- E Drop-off**
 - This drop-off will provide a service to school buses and handicapped parking for the museum, lake and posse.
- F Bridge Plaza**
 - A small plaza will be established at each end of the bridge. The existing concessions building will be removed.
- G Future Lakefront Pavilions**
- H Future Mill**
- I Water Feature**
 - The Water Feature is a proposed new focal point for the park, attracting children and families from its first day of operation.
- J Future Indian Village**
 - County to participate with local representatives of tribes from this area to create interactive and instructional exhibits depicting the lives of indigenous peoples of current Tulare County.
 - Outdoor exhibits to be linked physically and thematically with indoor exhibits in the History of Farm Labor and of Agriculture Museum.

'PARK WITHIN A PARK' CONCEPT

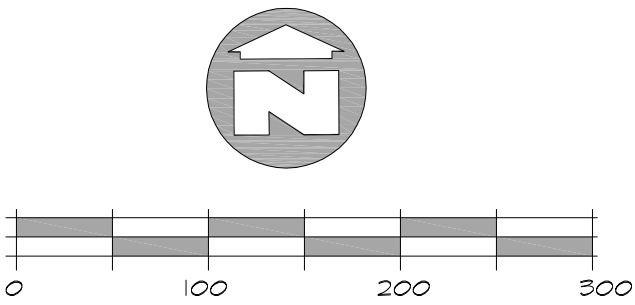
Today, visitors to Mooney Grove Park have unlimited vehicular access to most areas of the park. On busy days picnickers and strollers dodge vehicles and spread their picnic blankets in the shadow of their cars. Roads crisscross the interior of the park leaving small islands of turf and trees between large asphalt drive lanes.

The 'Park within a Park' organizes the park to create a pedestrian-friendly core to Mooney Grove Park. Surrounded by a dedicated loop road - a combination of repurposed existing asphalt roadways and new stretches of road - the center of the park is devoted to non-motorized travel. Inside the loop visitors can feel safe exploring with active children and walking, running and biking between existing and proposed facilities in the core. Along the loop road additional structured parking is designed to supplement the existing random on-street parking. Dispersed parking will provide ample convenient access to picnic areas and points of interest. The loop road will eliminate the long dead-ends which currently confuse drivers, and will create a clear circulation pattern within the park. As a bonus, the new loop road will encourage use of currently underutilized areas.

Facilities to broaden and enhance the offerings of Mooney Grove Park will be proposed inside the 'Park within a Park' core. These facilities include the new Main Street area of the Tulare County Museum and continuing development at the new History of Agriculture and Farm Labor Museum and future Indian Village, a water feature, development of a riparian environment adjacent to Cameron Creek, the refurbished bridge across the lake and new and realigned walkways along the lake's perimeter and throughout the park. A pedestrian paseo links these features and recaptures the interior of the historic park for safe, fun, family use. The existing bathhouse, lake and mature tree canopy will all add to the attraction of the park core.

The historic themes of Mooney Grove Park will be continued and celebrated within the park core. A new Veterans Memorial is proposed near the forecourt of the original Tulare County Museum. The historic NPA concrete and rock walls will be saved, and where necessary, rebuilt in new locations. As much as possible existing trees will be preserved and new ones will be planted, concentrating new tree plantings at park entrances, along riparian areas and along the park boundaries. The bridge across the lake will be restored to its original design. A few of the original elements of the park will be removed as they conflict with other functions or pose unacceptable renovation challenges, but as removal occurs rock and other materials will be stockpiled for use in walls and other facilities.

The areas outside the 'Park within a Park' loop road will be developed to accommodate additional picnicking, free play and disc golf. These areas will also be vital in supporting larger events that require space for activities and additional parking.



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MOONEY GROVE PARK 2009-2029 MASTER PLAN

SCHEMATIC DESIGN

SCALE 1" = 100'
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